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IT'S GOOD TO STAY FORGOTTEN.

IT'S NICE NOT TO BE REMEMBERED...

FOR YOU, THAT IS

THE MOST.....

最新コミックス③巻
大人気
発売中!!

百千さんちのあやかし王子

chapter 14

EVENING INARI, PART 2

硝音あや

Aya Shouto

FOR NOW... IT SEEMS LIKE WE'RE HIDDEN,

BUT WE'RE CUT OFF FROM THE HOUSE.

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pant

IS IT STILL CHASING US?

PANT

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If we stay hidden on the way home, we'll never make it.

AND WHEN THE SUN GOES DOWN, WE'LL BE LOST IN THE MOUNTAIN...

HEY..... WHAT YOU TOLD ME BEFORE,

YEAH, THERE HAS TO BE.

THERE MUST BE SOMETHING WE CAN DO ONCE WE GET TO THE MOMOCHI HOUSE.

WE HAVE TO HURRY AND FIND A NEW PATH...

YOU SAID IT HAD NO CONNECTION TO THE DISAPPEAR-ANCE OF MY CHILDHOOD FRIEND.

ABOUT "DEALING WITH" A PIPE FOX IN A ROADSIDE SHRINE...

YEAH ?

YOU STILL HAVEN'T FULLY TOLD ME WHAT HAPPENED, BUT...

SFX: RUSTLE

HE FOUND US!! RUN!!

MO-MO-CHI ...!!

FOUND YOU...

tasty looking humans.

He caught us...!!

You can't run away, little girl.

I'm gonna eat you and become a great youkai.

!?

WHIRLS AROUND

HIDAKA-KUN!!

HE'S THERE, ISN'T HE, MY "PIPE FOX"!!

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I'M SO SORRY!!

I CAN'T SEE YOU OR HEAR YOUR VOICE, AND THERE'S NOTHING I CAN DO ABOUT THAT,

BUT

THAT TIME, YOU WERE JUST TRYING TO GRANT MY WISH, WEREN'T YOU?

I DON'T NEED TO SEE YOU TO KNOW YOU'RE THERE.

SO, IN PLACE OF SOMEONE LIKE ME,

YOU CONTINUED TO SPREAD THE CURSE AROUND, RIGHT?

BUT EVEN SO,

I THOUGHT THAT IN EXCHANGE, YOU HAD SNATCHED AWAY MY FRIEND THAT DAY,

AND I HATED YOU FOR IT.

AND THEN I HATED ALL THE HUMANS AROUND ME FOR NOT BELIEVING MY STORY.

"I'll be your irreplacable ayakashi."

"I'll show you my power."

"How it feels to use a pipe fox..."

I showed "him" my power.

He is my special friend.

I UNDERSTAND HOW YOU FEEL.

I didn't want to lose him.

YOU CAN'T, HIDAKA-KUN...!!

GASP ...!

IT'S NO GOOD!

The smell of humans--!!!

SFX: WHOOOOOOOSH

Neither my form

nor my voice are compre-hendable to humans...

WHIRL

This is really bad!!

And to say that you un-derstand our grudge!!!

BANG

SHUT YOUR EYES, HIDAKA-KUN!!

SFX: SWOOSH

!

Shit, she tricked me.

HURRY, TO THE HOUSE, NOW...!!

THERE IT IS ...!!

SFX: CRASH

WHOOSH

...Huh?!

Don't think you can run from me!

IN THIS *MOMOCHI* HOUSE.

IT'S MUCH BETTER WHEN SIBLINGS CAN GET ALONG

Aoi...!

YOU...!!

GASP

EH?!

We're through the gates, so now, even Hidaka-kun can see.

THIS PLACE... WHY...

HIDAKA-KU...

gasp

slide

A pale face?!

THAT'S RIGHT.

MY FRIEND'S NAME WAS...

WAVERING

AOI...

WHY ARE YOU DISA...

THAT'S A "VESTIGE."

HAS RE-TURNED TO WITHIN YOU.

NOW, YOUR MEMORIES SHOULD BE RE-STORED.

A PIPE FOX DOESN'T EVEN HAVE THE SPIRITUAL POWER TO CARRY OFF A SINGLE PERSON.

THERE-FORE,

IT WASN'T YOUR FRIEND THAT THE PIPE FOX SNATCHED AWAY IN EX-CHANGE FOR YOUR WISH.

THAT "VESTIGE"

...THEN, WHY...

IT WASN'T YOUR FAULT THAT YOUR "FRIEND" WAS NO LONGER AROUND.

SHAKE

SHAKE

SHAKE

.....

YOU KNOW PEOPLE, DON'T YOU?!

HE WAS DEFINITELY THERE, AND NOT LIKE THOSE VESTIGES!!

WHY WAS IT THAT AOI DISAP-PEARED?

NO LONGER ...

YOU MEAN, WE'LL NEVER MEET AGAIN...?

THAT PERSON IS NO LONGER IN THE HUMAN WORLD.

THEN

I'LL GO THERE.

WELL, THIS TIME, AT LEAST...

HAVE YOU MET A YOUKAI?

Living with the weight of what you lost.

I'LL EVEN GIVE YOU MY SOUL IN EX-CHANGE,

IF YOU'LL TAKE ME ALONG TO YOUR SIDE...

FOR YOU TO GRANT MY WISH!!

PLEASE!

'It's awful' like this

STEP

THAT...
I CAN'T
DO.

COLLAPSE

SFX WHISPER

settles down

BECAUSE HE'S AL-RIGHT...

whoosh

Wind blows

HIDAKA-KUN...

REALLY...

ONLY YOUR BODY HAS GOTTEN BIGGER, HAYATO...

GOOD MORNING!

RATTLE

...YOU AGAIN?

GEEZ, IT'S NOT "YOU,"

IT'S MOMOCHI HIMARI.

LET'S HEAD TO SCHOOL TO-GETHER.

OKAY.

pat

!

HIMARI,

THANKS FOR THE OTHER DAY.

I... I WAS...

I TOLD YOU, I WAS JUST CLEANING... I DIDN'T REALLY DO ANYTHING.

HIDAKA-KUN, YOU WERE...

"HAYATO" IS FINE.

EH, WELL THEN... HAYATO-KUN.

It seems...

IT'S ALL THANKS TO YOU THAT "THE CASE OF THE PIPE FOX" WAS SETTLED.

that Hayato-kun's mood has gotten lighter...

BUT I'M GLAD

THAT THE TORMENT CAUSED BY "THE CURSE OF THE PIPE FOX"

AND THE PAIN AND BAD MEMORIES CAUSED BY THE "PROTECTORS" ARE OVER.

AH, NO, NO.

That protector was pretty handy though

JUST A STORY OF "PROTECTION" TOLD BY MY CHILDHOOD FRIEND, AOI.

EH?

IS THAT BIG GUY WE MET UP WITH YOUR "PROTECTOR," HIMARI?

CHILD-
HOOD
FRIEND?
...WHOSE
STORY IS
THAT?

I now understand...

The meaning behind those words.

"Because he's alright..."

NO, WHO COULD IT BE?

IS IT THAT AOIK KID WHO TRANSFERRED HERE IN JUNIOR HIGH?

A vestige of "Aoi", wearing a fox mask.

Because that was left behind, there was a sense of loss within him.

But everything is back to the way it should be now.

"I'm alright,"

"Because this time, at least, everything will be forgotten."

WHAT IS IT?

because he's alright.

Take me alongside you,

I understand...

Aoi's memories

And Hayato-kun's memories.

...NOTHING AT ALL.

LET'S GO.

But still,

◇ FOR THOSE TWO, AT LEAST, THIS IS BEST...

What's between those two... no one can touch.

★ To Be Continued...

SO YOU'VE ENTERED MY SANC-TUARY.

SFX: WHOOSH, CLATTER

WAAAAAAAA!!

SFX: CLACK

WELL THEN, PIPE FOX.

COOL YOUR HEAD A BIT.

THAT SHOULD SERVE TO...

I'LL PUNISH YOU.

Who are...

Wha...

"WHO?"

TO FACE THE LORD OF MOMO-CHI HOUSE WITH SUCH RUDENESS,

THEN WHY NOT RECRUIT SOME MORE?

WE'RE TRYING, BUT IT DOESN'T DO ANY GOOD WHEN NO ONE APPLIES.

UH... SIR? I'M SORRY, BUT WE'RE LOW ON STAFF.

DAMMIT! WHERE ARE THOSE NEW CHAPTERS?!

ARE YOU FREAKING SERIOUS?

WELL, UH... YES, ACTUALLY.

MANGA

FIST SLAM

IT'S SUCH A PITY TOO. WE HAVE SO MANY LOVELY PROJECTS THAT ARE JUST DYING FOR STAFF.

Hug me

hold me

Love me♥

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... WHY ARE YOU LOOKING AT ME LIKE THAT?

IT'S KIND OF CREEPING ME OUT.

STARE

... THIS GUY'S WEIRD. STILL, MAYBE I SHOULD VOLUNTEER AND HELP SPEED UP THEIR RELEASES.

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